



Western New York Community Partner,

I am writing on behalf of Child Care Resource Network (CCRN), a local 501c3 that serves the children of Erie County. CCRN has been empowering families, caregivers, education professionals and employers to improve access to quality care since 1987. On **May 7th, 2026**, CCRN will be hosting our annual **"Springtime in the City"** Child Care Professional Appreciation Event, and I am asking for your support.

It is crucial that we, as Business Leaders, understand the importance of child care in Erie County and the wider WNY region. It is through accessing high quality child care that employees are able to work knowing that their children are being cared for in a safe and nurturing environment. Child care is essential to the growth of workforce development and our economy.

Child Care Professionals earn so little pay that they rank in the bottom 2% of all professionals. Through our "Springtime in the City" Event, we want to recognize the integral role Child Care Professionals play in our community and the hard work they put in each day. Our goal is to raise \$25,000, enough to sponsor every child care provider who would like to attend the event. I have enclosed our Sponsorship Forms for your consideration. For every \$100 contributed, one of our local child care providers will attend Springtime in the City at no cost to them. There are many options available for every budget!

Thank you for your time and consideration in supporting our Child Care Professional Appreciation Event. It would be an honor if you were a part of this special evening. Please submit all documents and payment by March 2nd, 2026 to:

Child Care Resource Network
ATTENTION: Gabrielle Kostrzewski, Sponsorship Committee
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Kimberly Suminski, CEO